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CALIFORNIA WOMAN GETS 10 YEARS IN PRISON FOR IMPORTING METHAMPHETAMINE, COCAINE, AND HEROIN

TUCSON – Evangelina Monarres, 42, of Pacoima, California, was sentenced here to 120 months, by U.S. District Judge Roll. Monarres pleaded guilty on July 24, 2006 to Importation and Possession With an Intent to Distribute approximately 3.22 kilograms of methamphetamine, 31.7 kilograms of cocaine, and 3.58 kilograms of heroin. Ms. Monarres was sentenced on January 18, 2007.

Ms. Monarres was the sole occupant and driver of a 2001 BMW SUV that attempted to enter the United States from Mexico at the Grand Avenue Port of Entry in Nogales, Arizona. The narcotics were concealed in a non-factory compartment located in the vehicle's floorboard.

The investigation in this case was conducted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), and Customs and Border Protection (CBP). The prosecution was handled by Nicolle Krivda, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson.

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